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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: US-GOP AVIATION RELATIONS

REF: A) MANILA 7565, B) MANILA 7309

1. DEPT DISTURBED BY REFTELS WHICH INDICATE A MARKED ACCELERATION TOWARD US-GOP CONFRONTATION IF REPORTED ACTION MATERIALIZES. THIS IS COUNTER TO TREND INTRODUCED BY FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT OF DC-10 ISSUE.

2. GOP ACTION TO RESCIND FLYING TIGERS' PERMIT PRIOR TO EXPIRATION DATE, OR NOT RENEW AT ALL, WOULD BE VIEWED BY USG AS EXTREMELY DETRIMENTAL TO OUR MUTUAL AVIATION RELATIONSHIP.

3. IF GOP ACTION MATERIALIZES IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT, IF
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NOT IMPOSSIBLE, TO HOLD ANY TYPE OF MEANINGFUL TALKS ON THE LARGER ISSUES WHICH REQUIRE MORE PERMANENT SOLUTION.

4. GOP SHOULD BE AWARE THAT USG WOULD NOT PERMIT ALL-CARGO SERVICES BY PAL ON A MONOPOLY BASIS, FOLLOWING TERMINATION OF FTL'S RIGHTS.

5. USG VIEWS GOP CONTEMPLATED ACTION AS A DIRECT VIOLATION OF OUR AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD PROVIDE IT WITH A BASIS, IF IT SO DESIRED, TO TAKE ACTIONS TO PROTECT ITS INTERESTS.

6. USG STILL WILLING TO IMMEDIATELY AUTHORIZE PAL ALL-CARGO ROUTE IN EXCHANGE FOR FLYING TIGER EQUIPMENT CONVERSION AND TURN AROUND ON THIS SIMPLE QUID PRO QUO BASIS. FTL HAS AMENDED ITS ORIGINAL POSITION TO STATE IT WOULD LIMIT ITS 747 CARGO CAPACITY TO THAT OF THE DC-8 ON BOTH INBOUND AND OUTBOUND MANILA FLIGHTS, TO ASSURE THAT CONVERSION WOULD HAVE NO ADVERSE ECONOMIC EFFECT ON THE PHILIPPINES.

7. ACTION REQUESTED. EMBASSY SHOULD APPROACH BOTH MIN FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND PHILCAB, EITHER OFFICIALLY OR INFORMALLY AS IT SEES FIT, AND ADVISE HIGHEST FEASIBLE LEVEL OF USG'S REACTION TO PLANNED PHILCAB ACTION AS STATED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 THROUGH 6 ABOVE.

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